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A STORM IN A TEACUP.

Till very recently we regarded Alexandria as the habitat of a population of at least average intelligence and sanity. The events of the last two days are calculated to alter our estimate of the mental qualities of our fellow-citizens, however much they may do credit to their hearts, and the enthusiasm with which M. Canivet and his demonstrative friends have called upon the Egyptian Government and H. B. M.'s Agent and Consul-General to commit a violation of international law can only be described as worthy of a better cause. What are the facts? Three gentlemen of Jewish origin leave Russia, where their race has suffered cruel and unmerited persecution from an autocratic Government, and take up their residence in Egypt, where their co-religionists would, we are convinced, have given them all the aid in their power. They are in a friendly country, secure from persecution, where their race is prosperous and respected, where political opinions of every shade, from Anarchism to Pan Islamism, are freely expressed. They are men whom enthusiasm in the cause of liberty has brought into conflict with the grim representatives of an autocratic Government and who have sought refuge in a country where a very respectable amount of freedom exists, where Anarchists, Mañosi, Terrorists on the one hand, zealots for the Sultan of Stambul and the most militant variants of Islam on the other, the Red Peril and the Black, can live secure from molestation if they refrain from crime or incitement to violence. They are none the less arrested at the request of the Russian Consulate on the extremely grave charge of conspiring to blow up a Russian merchant steamer on the high seas by means of an infernal machine timed to explode outside territorial waters!

The crime which these men are accused of conspiring to commit is of a heinous atrocity. A steamer leaves port, the crew look forward cheerfully to the voyage, when the explosion of a dynamite bomb inflicts upon them well-nigh the certainty of agonising death from fire or scalding steam, or the slower pain of drowning. The sailors have taken no part in fuellings or executions. They are harmless souls, whose worst crimes are drunken frolics, whose politics are those of the simple and unlettered, but the cruelty of some Governor and the rage of his victims' death coldly planned by their compatriots self-exiled on a neutral shore.

Such is the offence of which these three Russian Jews are charged. Let them disprove it, let them explain their possession of explosives, and we shall be the first to rejoice in their acquittal. But let us at least abstain from describing them as martyrs, let us avoid complimenting one of their number on being a member of the intellectual élite of Russia, till they be proved innocent of an attempted crime which prudence and humanity alike combine to reprobate. So much for the accused.

With their supporters, men of warm hearts and impulsive enthusiasm, we have no fault to find on moral grounds. Intellectually we feel impelled to do our best to break a lance with their champion, our esteemed confrère M. Raoul Canivet. M. Canivet has defended the Capitulations with wit and vigour, he has smiled regally and ironically at the challenges of the "three musketeers" of the "Progrès," the "Journal du Caire," and "L'Egypte," he has driven M. Colrat to threats of aviation, he has championed more causes—popular and unpopular—than we have space to enumerate, often with success, always with the same fine and restrained irony and charm of style. But in the midst of his conflict for the Capitulations our excellent confrère pauses and from his trumpet "La Réforme" we hear the notes of

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"about turn." A moment more and the good knight Raoul is riding lance in rest to the rescue of the three captive Russian Jews in thrall of Queen Capitulations, miraculously metamorphosed from a distressed Princess to an ogress of incredible ferocity. Never was the knight of La Mancha more discomfited by enchantment and wizardry. And Sir Raoul's armies march from Bourse to Quay, from Quay to Consulate. A Russian sea captain flies to his cabin from their advance wishing that he had never protested against the possible loss of his ship with all hands. The descendants of the twelve tribes gather under the leadership of M. Campos, the Italian Socialists muster in their strength, amid cries of "No extradition!" St. George is invoked in the person of Lord Cromer, on whom letters and telegrams rain incessantly, and the senior member of the seven champions is urgently requested to save the victims from the grasp of—but the reproduction of some of the epithets we have heard bestowed on the Russian Government might lead to an international incident.

Extradition! What does the word mean in Egypt, where for the purposes of criminal law the Englishman is in England, the Russian in Russia, and the Frenchman in France? The European criminal, thanks to those laws which M. Canivet defends, goes before his own courts, his own judges, is tried with the formalities under the procedure and by the legal code of his country. His status is unchanged. Let him murder a native of the country—he is handed over to his own judges. Should he disturb the public peace the janissaries of the Consulate are authorised, if it be needful, to call upon the Egyptian police to effect his arrest. This is no question of arbitrary arrest, nor, if it were, could complaints alter the legal aspect of the situation. Our boursiers may demonstrate, our editors run a-tilt, our Socialists rage, but the Law of the Capitulations shows an inexorable front to their appeals and attacks. Were such a charge concocted, were it a mere excuse for the arrest of political suspects, the accused would have by law to be handed over to his Consulate, unless indeed the Egyptian Government, underterred by past experiences, violated the international agreements by which it is bound—and fettered. But the appeals to Lord Cromer! What competence has our Consul General in the matter of a foreign jurisdiction? By

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Plague.

Yesterday's plague bulletin records a fatal case at Mellawi.

Dance at Mena.

A small dance will be given at Mena House on Wednesday, 23rd inst. A closed carriage service will leave the hotel at midnight.

Ottoman Fete.

On Saturday night a fete will be held at the Grand Continental Hotel in celebration of the anniversary of the foundation of the Ottoman Empire.

Egyptian Constructors.

Mr. David S. Bondi, late of Messrs. Grant, Bondi and Chinn, has been elected to a seat on the board of directors of the Egyptian Constructors, Limited.

A Dementi.

The report that Boghos Pasha Nubar is one of the founders of the new bank founded by Armenian capitalists of London, Paris, and Manchester is declared to be without foundation.

Accession Honours.

Owing to pressure on our space we are compelled to hold over until to-morrow the publication of the list of honours conferred by H.H. the Khedive on the occasion of the anniversary of his accession.

Anglo-Belgian Co. of Egypt.

The committee of the London Stock Exchange has ordered the following security to be quoted in the Official List: Anglo-Belgian Company of Egypt, Limited—70,000 shares of £5 each fully paid, Nos. 1 to 70,000.

Pierre Loti.

Commandant Viaud has arrived at Port Said, and is staying at the Savoy Hotel. He will stay six months at Cairo as the guest of Mustapha Kamel. No doubt some contributions from Loti's brilliant pen will illuminate the columns of the "Egyptian Standard."

The Yost.

The Yost typewriter has been awarded the Grand Prix at the recent Bucharest International Exhibition. This award consists of a Diploma of Honour and Gold Medal, and is the only Grand Prix given in connection with typewriters at this exhibition.

Suicide or Accident?

John Johnson (28), a seaman on the S.S. Moorish Prince, disappeared from his ship in Alexandria harbour on Sunday last. Shortly afterwards his cap was found on the quay near the Mahmoudieh bridge, and it is surmised that he must have committed suicide or been accidentally drowned. His body has not yet been recovered.

Carole Artistique.

A charming concert took place at the Carole Artistique, Cairo, on Sunday afternoon. Mlle Davilloy was the star of the entertainment and gave Micaela's air from the 3rd act of "Carmen" and the jewel song from "Faust" superbly. The orchestra, conducted by M. Archimbaud, was admirable. Faure's music to Pelléas and Mélisande and Bonnard's prelude to Messidor being enthusiastically received.

St. Catherine's Club.

The fete given on Sunday in honour of Brothers, Ildefonso and George, founders of St. Catherine's Club, Alexandria, was a great success. The spacious hall of the college was crowded with many friends and old pupils who came to give a hearty reception after several years' absence to two educators of youth who have done so much for the welfare of the young in the town of Alexandria. Before the curtain was raised Mr. A. Saylor, president of the club, gave a speech well suited to the occasion. He stated how one and all were pleased to see once more in their midst the two founders of the club. He showed the good the club was doing and hoped it would continue to shine among the many works of our city. Bro. Ildefonso responded at length, thanking the members for their hearty reception. He was glad to see the work progressing and the good it was doing. Afterwards the curtain rose and a comic duo, "Souffrède and Grattamort," was sung by G. Brewer and G. Sanvise. Their singing and acting were much appreciated. "Les Gardiens de Phare," a drama in one act, kept the audience spell-bound for a full half-hour. Many a heart was touched to see Père Brehan (Mr. Aimé Paul) accomplishing his duty notwithstanding the critical state of his son Yvon (Mr. H. Lamont). Great credit is due to these two amateurs for their able performance. The comic songs of Mr. L. Brill were so much liked that he was recalled three times. Mr. N. Capillo's monologue, "The Deserter," was much applauded. Next followed a farce in Italian "La Tombola," which kept the audience in rars of laughter. Mr. P. Capillo played his part in splendid style. Messrs. A. Miland, N. Capillo, W. Azopardi, R. Farid, and S. Nono also deserve a word of praise. The college orchestra was in good form and gave select pieces from its repertoire.

A HERO'S DEATH.

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(Gazette's Special Service.)

LONDON, Tuesday.

The death is announced of that well-known officer, Captain Singleton Pennell, V.C., whose name came prominently before the public during the Tirah campaign on account of his heroic conduct on the Dargai heights. He met his death in a terrible toboggan accident at San Moritzdorf.

THE KHEDIVÉ.

Yesterday morning the Khedive visited the Ghizeh Zoological Gardens, where he remained about three hours. He afterwards returned to Abdou Palace, where he spent the day.

Among those received in audience on Saturday by the Khedive were H.H. Prince Hussein Pasha Kamel, T.H. Prince As'ad Pasha Hassan and Ibrahim Pasha Hassan, H.H. the Grand Duke Boris of Russia, M. Klobukowski, Baron de Villebois, Dr. Chaker Bey El Khoury, Herr von Mohl, Auguste Bey Adib, and Mihalai Matchett Bey.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION.

Our Tahta Correspondent telegraphs: H. E. Saad Pasha Zghoul, Minister of Education, together with Soliman Bey Osman, Moudir of Ghirgheb, Abdallah Bey Wahhy, inspector of irrigation, and Sidky Bey, president of Assiout Native Court, arrived yesterday at Tahta and paid a visit to-day (Monday) to the Rifash Pasha School. The Minister examined the boys in the various subjects and expressed himself as being highly pleased. He thanked Mohamed Bey Rifash for the care which he took of the school, and spoke words of encouragement to the teaching staff. On leaving for Assiout he delivered on the platform of the station an eloquent speech impressing on all the necessity of diffusing instruction and improving the condition of the Kuttahs.

MR. ROBERTSON, M.P.

We have received a letter, dated the 20th inst., written from the National Hotel, Cairo, by Mr. J. M. Robertson, M.P., who informs us that the statement published in our edition of Saturday relative to Mr. Robertson's visit to the Coptic and Moslem school at Dirmah is incorrect. Mr. Robertson informs us that (1) he did not visit the school in the company of a schoolmaster of uttering inflammatory language; (2) the head-master of the school is a Copt and not a Moslem; and (3) he asked the pupils no questions relative to fanaticism, etc.

Mr. Robertson has our sympathy and regret. The Press teems with allusions to his journey and his utterances, onwards abound, and we hope that in future M.P.'s visiting Egypt on a political or quasi-political errand will supply the future Press Association of Egypt with accurate and authentic details. We understand that "Al-Lews," recent statement re Mr. Robertson's views on the police school is totally unfounded.

NEW BOOK ON EGYPT.

There have been so many books written about Egypt during the past ten or fifteen years that it might seem well nigh impossible for anyone to find an excuse for adding to the number, but we learn that Mr. T. Fisher Unwin, the well-known publisher of London, whose name in a book is a guarantee that the author is one entitled to a hearing upon whatever his subject may be, has sent to press a volume for which it is claimed that it stands apart from all the other books on Egypt or Egyptian matters in more respects than one. In the first place, the book we speak of is an attempt to show how the Egyptians look upon European civilization and the Occupation, and in the next, it is written by a man who has an absolutely unique experience of the East and its Moslem peoples to guide him. To these advantages it may be added that it is written in a graphic, nervous style, abounding with illustrative allusions and references, and will undoubtedly prove one of the most readable of the books of the year. The book is, indeed, from all we hear, one that might stand wholly upon its own merits, but the fact that its author is known to have devoted himself for many years to the study of Islam and its relations to the British Empire, gives it a special importance as a contribution towards our knowledge of Egypt and its people. We may add that, as might be expected, it pays the highest tribute to Lord Cromer and his work. With all this it is a book that will probably give rise to some criticism and discussion, for the author's views are boldly expressed, and so, while satisfied that it will prove a book eminently worth reading, we at the same time reserve our right to criticise it when once it is in the hands of the public.

M. THIÉRY ON MODERN EGYPT.

M. Edmond Thiéry has now published in book form the series of articles on modern Egypt which he contributed to his "Econômiste Européen"—"L'Egypte Nouvelle" (this is the title of the volume)—which constitutes an historical compilation. What particularly strikes the reader of the book is that M. Thiéry is impartially itself in dealing with the matter. The author frankly admits that the first time a French writer to do so that under French rule most extensive reforms have been accomplished, which have resulted in a feeling of security among the population, such as the Egyptian Government could have never alone brought about.

RUSSIAN TERRORISM.

THE ALEXANDRIA PLOT.

We understand that the following are the facts relative to the arrest of the three Russian Jews, which has called forth the easily-aroused factiousness for which Alexandria has been notorious since the days of Haliar.

It appears that about a fortnight ago the Russian Consulate at Alexandria had reason to believe that the three individuals in question, Botoff, alias Miehka, Shreun, and Vopouls, were contemplating the perpetration of an act affecting public security. Botoff, a Russian subject, condemned to death in Russia, was the leader of this little group of Terrorists, who had resolved to show their sympathy with the Russian revolutionary party and to strike terror into the anarchy by what Nihilists describe as "a blow for freedom" and ordinary individuals as a "bomb outrage." The Egyptian police were accordingly warned, and maintained a close surveillance of the three Terrorists.

Their purchase of certain metals and chemical products usually employed by private manufacturers of high explosives was in itself sufficient to arouse the gravest suspicions, and suspicion deepened to certainty when the Captain of the Russian steamer, S.S. received a letter from Botoff, asking him to hand over five thousand roubles to the boatman of his vessel to be paid into the funds of the Russian Revolutionary Society of Alexandria, failing which he would be disposed of and his ship destroyed.

The Captain made no reply and the boatman was informed by Botoff that his failure to meet the demand would be severely punished.

It is not surprising that the Russian Consulate at Alexandria was indignant to pass lightly over this alarming species of blackmail. The Egyptian Police were requested by Mr. d'Abaza, the Russian Consul, to assist the consular janissaries in the arrest of the three revolutionaries, who appear to have opened further negotiations with the boatman and were discovered in conversation with the wily tar at the "Stamboul" coffee-house. They were promptly taken into custody and a police search resulted in the discovery both of unincriminating documents and materials for the fabrication of explosives.

We are informed that Botoff's plan was to deposit in the engines of the Russian steamer a bomb or infernal machine, timed to explode about two hours after the vessel had left port, an ingenious method of ensuring the destruction of the vessel with great loss of life. Those who are familiar with descriptions of boiler explosions or have read accounts of the effect of a shell in the engine rooms of warships can easily realise what horrors would have followed the explosion.

We have in our leading article alluded to the legal aspects of the case. We may add that the appeal to Lord Cromer was in such a case an extraordinary tactical error. Let us assume for the sake of argument that a French Anarchist had attempted to display his hatred of the bourgeoisie Republic by placing a bomb in the bunkers of one of the Messageries Maritimes steamers; how would the French Government and the French colony in Egypt regard the intervention on behalf of the prisoner of any member of the Diplomatic Body? There can be no two opinions about the answer. They would be indignant, and justly so.

FEELING AT CAIRO.

The excitement at Alexandria has had its effect on Cairo, though beyond good-humoured demonstrations there has been no kind of disorder in the Capital. A well attended meeting, consisting principally of stockbrokers, was held at the Continental Hotel yesterday afternoon, the chief speakers being Messrs. Voronoff, Rossi, Chalou, and Petrachi. After Mr. Voronoff's speech, counselling a pacific consideration of the question of arrest and extradition, the meeting became merely a babble of voices. Here and there some impetuous youth would demand a forcible descent upon the Russian Consulate or British Agency, but that proposal was promptly quashed, and finally a committee was formed to interview the Russian Minister.

We understand that the committee was informed that the Russian Minister could only uphold the laws of his country, but that a serious enquiry would be held concerning the charges brought against the prisoners, and that these would not be extradited for some days.

Later in the afternoon another meeting was held at the Théâtre des Nouveautés, but the discussion was too general and too heated for any resolution to be passed. Both meetings in fact resolved themselves into excited discussions among the lawyers who were present, with frequent interruptions by others of the audience.

A similar meeting was held at the New Bar about 11 p.m. It was noticeable that from 8 o'clock onwards the number of police in the vicinity of the Russian Consulate was considerably increased.

This afternoon, at 12.30, a large meeting was held outside the Bonser. Some hundreds must have been present, and after an inaudible speech, delivered in Italian, the crowd proceeded to march to the Russian Consulate, where there was a loud but harmless demonstration, after which they moved on to the Ministry of the Interior.

CAIRO'S GARDEN CITY.

Several of the very best plots of this estate are offered, at reasonable rates, by Mr. C. Aquilina, Carlton Hotel, Bulkeley.

BANK OF ABYSSINIA.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH MENELIK.

Negotiations are now proceeding between the governing board of the Bank of Abyssinia and the Emperor Menelik, whose wishes the board are most anxious to meet both in their own interests and in that of the country. The board is endeavouring to come to an arrangement by which the management of the branch in Abyssinia may be delegated to a board of responsible administrators, sitting at Addis-Abeba.

The rumours that have been current in Cairo to the effect that a new Governor of the Bank will be appointed in the place of Mr. MacGillivray are officially confirmed, and that gentleman will not return to Abyssinia.

EGYPTIAN DELTA LAND COMPANY.

Mr. Justice Parker, in the Chancery Division on Saturday week, sanctioned an extension of the memorandum of the Egyptian Delta Land and Investment Company, Ltd., so as to allow the company to extend its operations to the Sudan on condition that the company altered its name in some way to indicate the alteration.

CORPORATION OF WESTERN EGYPT.

The recent new issue of 235,143 shares of £1 at par by the Corporation of Western Egypt has been a great success. There were one hundred thousand shares reserved for subscribers in this country. These were over-subscribed for and the underwriters have been paid their commissions in full.

NEW APPOINTMENTS.

The Ministry of the Interior has appointed Mr. Algood director of the Police School, Cairo.

Ali Sidki Effendi has been appointed Mayor of Deliaget Markaz, and Mohamed Hamdi Eff. Abou Zaid Mamour of Minieh Markaz.

NILE TOURISTS.

List of passengers by the P.S. Amenartas, which left Cairo yesterday: Admiral Sir Nowell and Lady Salmon, Miss Salmon, Miss Staveley, Mr. E. C. B. Las, Miss M. Mackay, Miss E. Rei, Miss M. Cox, Miss M. Baker, Miss M. Talbot, Miss A. Hutton, Count and Countess de Gerniny, Mr. Paul Hermann, Mr. and Mrs. Caroli.

ZIZINIA THEATRE.

"LA DANNAZIONE DI FAUST."

This music grows on one more each time one hears it. Last night's performance marked a distinct advance, especially for the chorus, which was notably in time throughout. M. Fitofole sang a splendid serenade, and Margherita, though physically fitted for rôles demanding a maturer personality, has some fine and rich notes. The merriment of the house was ill suppressed when she turned on an ordinary electric light in her medieval chamber; nor are we surprised, for the thing is a flagrant outrage against stage illusion. The first interval was again monstrously and unduly prolonged, and served to impress us yet more deeply with the conviction that oratorios should not be dramatised, even if, as in this case, a pantomime (Act III.) is thrown in.

ALEXANDRIA MUNICIPALITY.

NOTICE.

Owners of bicycles, tricycles, motor cycles, and hand carts, including barrel organs, are informed that numbered plaques will be applied to them free by the Municipality. For those who hold a plaque for 1906 a distinctive mark for 1907 will be added. Applications must be made to the Service des Recettes before February 18, 1907, Sundays and holidays excepted, by the owners, so as to have the plaques or distinctive marks put on to their vehicles. After the above date, if any of the above mentioned vehicles are found circulating without a plaque or distinctive mark their owners will be liable to prosecution. 29400 5/2

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The S.S. Imperial Prince, with passengers and general cargo, left London on the 20th inst. and is due at Alexandria on or about 5th February.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents, but we wish, in a spirit of fair play to all, to permit—within certain necessary limits—free discussion.

EGYPTIAN COTTON MILLS, LTD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE." Sir,—In your issue of the 19th there appeared a letter from one of your correspondents headed as above.

The figures given by him of the Profit and Loss account of this company ending 30th September 1906 are correct, but the description of these expenses has been altered and therefore calculated to mislead your readers. We should be obliged therefore if you will state the account exactly as it appears in the report as follows:—

RECEIPTS.		£	s.	d.
By Profit on Manufacture	...	9,427.19.11		
Sundries	...	3.11		
		9,431.10.11		
EXPENSES.		£	s.	d.
Insurance, Taxes, Selling ex's, Cairo	...	1,737.11.7		
Excise Duty	...	3,915.8.4		
Administration expenses, England and Egypt	...	240		
Directors' Fees	...	440.11.10		
Rent, Secretary's salary and	...	156		
Audit Fees	...	2		
Travelling expenses	...	241.5		
General expenses	...	18.18.3		
Bad debts	...	1,096.15.3		
Interest and discount	...	3,611.15.10		
(Including interest paid on debit balances to Bank and Mortgages)	...	10,361.11		
Difference, Loss for the year	...	930		

We hand you copy of report herewith. The particulars of the balance sheet were correctly given.

Your correspondent also remarks as to a London Board. The London Board of this company retired in favour of a local board three years ago. The only official of the company in England is the Secretary, Mr. Spedding. The Profit and Loss a/c distinctly says administrative expenses England and Egypt and not administrative expenses in London, as your correspondent writes.—Yours truly,

For the Egyptian Cotton Mills, Ltd.
A. H. PRATT,
Manager and Local Secretary.
Cairo, January 20.

THE CAPITULATIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE." Sir,—The present agitation brings into startling relief the question of Capitulations, so recently deflected with great energy by your contemporary, who now is one of the first to raise the movement to avoid them in the present instance.

They are undoubtedly very awkward for political offenders, who should avoid Egypt. The argument and cries so often raised now, of "Liberty" and "Let us be free" and "Such a surrender would not be permitted in England," are all useless, as in European countries a foreigner charged with conspiracy (rightly or wrongly) would be tried by the European Courts first, a procedure the Capitulations do not permit here; here political refugees risk having charges brought against them to bring them to trial by their own officials and thus be repatriated, so that your "Liberty," etc., must come from where the Italian Chamber of Commerce for one, fears to step, "the abolition of the Capitulations."—Yours faithfully,
R. C. A.

Alexandria, 22nd January.

THE SERVANT QUESTION IN EGYPT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "EGYPTIAN GAZETTE." Sir,—In reference to the second letter from "An Old Resident" in your issue of the 19th, may I suggest that he and any others of your readers who are interested in this important question should communicate with me as undersigned c/o. "The Egyptian Gazette" Office, Alexandria, and I would endeavour to arrange a meeting at an early date in Cairo of those interested fully to discuss what steps can be taken on the lines that have been suggested. Otherwise I fear the question will merely degenerate into an expression of opinion in the newspapers, and will die a natural death. I am, etc.,

"ANOTHER OLD RESIDENT."
Cairo, January 20.

Sir,—With reference to the above, which was the subject of recent correspondence in your valuable paper, we beg to state that we are quite in sympathy with "Old Resident" and "Sufferer" on this important question, and, as we are just commencing a business as commission and general agents, we should be very pleased to take up this question, as suggested by your correspondents in your issues of the 11th and 15th inst. respectively, providing sufficient support is forthcoming from the European community. We should feel obliged if either "Old Resident" or "Sufferer" would afford us any further information they can on the subject, i.e., by whom the present Chinese servants are employed, and whom we could communicate with in Bombay, with a view to making full enquiries and importing these servants.

We should also feel greatly honoured if any European subject who is in favour of and willing to support this scheme would kindly communicate with us. We are, etc.,
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PERSONAL AND SOCIAL.

Among the distinguished personages staying at Sheppard's Hotel are:—H.R.H. Prince Franz of Bavaria, H.I.H. the Grand Duke Boris of Russia, H.H. Prince Djemil Tossoun, the Duke de Benavente, the Dukes of Medina del Campo, H.H. Prince de Crange, H.H. Prince de Brancovan, H.H. Prince d'Arco, Comte de Bruges, Baron von Richlin, Munich, Comte Wachtmeister, Countess Wachtmeister, Baron de Berg, Baron von Heffels, Comte de Montjoys, Comtesse de Castelnuovo, Baron von Schweinitz, Comtesse de Ryksvitz, Comte Francis Thurm, Comte de Knisky, Baron de Crombroghe, Baroness de Crombroghe, Baron Empain, Baron and Baroness de Giffier.

Prince Djemil Tossoun will pass Kourba Beyram at Luxor.

The Prince of Udina and suite arrived at Cairo yesterday. The Prince is staying at the Savoy Hotel. The Khedive and the Prince exchanged visits in the course of the afternoon.

The Earl and Countess of Carnarvon, who have been entertaining a number of guests at their H. m. b. rest, Highclere Castle, near Newbury, propose leaving England for Egypt towards the end of this month.

Lord and Lady Newborough are due at the Savoy to-day.

Count Moarkkerke, the well-known Belgian noble, and a party Sir Hamilton Lang, Lady Cooper, and Baroness de Forest are due at the Savoy shortly.

General Cherif Pasha, Turkish Ambassador at Copenhagen, Count and Countess Holstein of Bavaria, and M. Fould, the French multimillionaire, have arrived at the Savoy.

Sir Ernest Cassel is arriving at Cairo next week and is putting up at the Savoy.

Lady Cooper is coming out to join Sir Alfred Cooper at Cairo. Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Ashley are also paying a visit to Egypt.

Lady Huntington, widow of the late Sir Charles P. Huntington, and the members of her family are leaving England this week for Egypt, where they will stay for some months.

Sir Hamilton Lang and party of six arrived to-day at the Khedivial Hotel, Alexandria, which is now "an camp'et."

Sir George Doughty, M.P. for Grimby, has left England for a tour in the East, which will include a visit to Egypt.

Mr. Felix Cobbold, M.P. for Ipswich, will also shortly leave England for Egypt. The hon. member hopes to reach Khartoum.

Mr. Macbell, Adviser to the Ministry of the Interior, returned to Cairo yesterday from the Fayoum.

Baron Max Oppenheim gave a dance at his Cairo residence last night.

The following were the passengers for Upper Egypt by the train de luxe last night: The Grand Duke Boris and party, Mr. Bond, Mr. Haines, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Boulou Boutros, Mr. Kostrowitzky, Sir Robert Dashedwood, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot, Miss Wollner, Mr. and Mrs. Hottelinson, Mr. Aslan Daman, Mr. David Saltoun, Mr. Pollack.

Our Luxor correspondent writes that a distinguished and artistic coterie may always be found at the Savoy Hotel, just now. The visitors include Dr. Henry Goady, Regius Professor of Civil Law at the University of Oxford, and Mr. A. O. Lumphough, the well-known artist.

M. Joannis Polémis, the poet laureate of Greece, is in Cairo, and is coming here soon to give a recital of his work.

Mrs. Butcher has received so many kind letters that she cannot, for the present, do more than offer her sincere thanks to the writers in general. They have been received very gratefully.

The death has occurred at Cairo of Mr. C. P. Redmond, proprietor and editor of the "Waterford News." In his younger days Mr. Redmond was an expert cyclist and oarsman.

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TO OUR VISITORS.

The Egyptian Gazette has much pleasure in presenting to its subscribers an accompanying description of some of the many interesting routes by which they may travel homeward. Great care has been taken to arrange them so accurately and completely as possible, and it will be found that none of them are fraught with difficulty. In choosing the route home there are several things to be considered. To begin with there is the difference in climate between Egypt and the various points at which they may arrive in Europe.

This depends partly upon the month in which you leave Egypt for Europe. The route may be a little warmer in the Riviera, and possibly in the south of Sicily, but in March it will be cooler than in the Riviera, and more comfortably warm than many other places in Europe. Many people leave Egypt far too early in the year, for as a rule the weather in April and May is perfect. The pleasant place to go to on leaving Egypt is Sicily.

Some will want to take into consideration the number of days to be spent at sea, and we therefore subjoin a list of the time occupied on each of the various routes between Egypt and the Continent of Europe.

They are as follows—
The long sea routes—from Port Said or Alexandria to Plymouth, Southampton, London or Liverpool—occupy about 14 days. The short ones are as follows—
Port Said or Alexandria to Brindisi 3 days
Alexandria to Messina 3 3/4
Port Said or Alexandria to Marseilles 3 3/4
Alexandria to Venice and Trieste 3 3/4
Alexandria to Naples 3 3/4
Port Said to Genoa 3 3/4
Port Said to Naples 3 3/4
Alexandria to Constantinople 4
Alexandria to Piræus 4 1/2
Port Said to Gibraltar 7 1/2

The steamers of the P. & O., North German Lloyd, Orient, and Messageries Maritimes are the largest. The Anchor, British India, Biliby and Henderson Lines are also excellent, and their steamers are largely patronised by travellers to Egypt.

As regards the train journey from Cairo the shortest is that to Alexandria, without change (3 hours). That to Port Said can be made without change in 4 hours.

The least expensive way to England is by the Moss, Papayannis, Prince, and Westcott lines (4 hours). The shortest is to Liverpool. The German Levant Line has also good steamers from Alexandria to Hamburg.

The quickest through Continental routes are by P. & O. Brindisi express from Port Said, and the Austrian Lloyd Trieste-Vienna express from Alexandria.

As regards heavy luggage, it must be borne in mind that very little luggage is allowed free on the railways of E. Europe, but there are several good and responsible forwarding agents in Egypt who undertake at a fixed charge to deliver packages to any address in Europe.

The quickest manner of getting to Europe from Port Said is undoubtedly by the fast Mail Steamers "Odessa" and "Lila" to Brindisi. One of these leaves Port Said every week, as soon as possible after receiving the Indian

mails from the great liner arrived from Bombay.

These small but comfortable ships have enormously powerful engines, and attain a very high rate of speed. They are called the "Ferry boats," having been specially built to carry the British mail from Port Said to Brindisi. If you are going straight through to England you will find the train waiting at Brindisi which will take you to Calais without changing. It has complete arrangements for sleeping and eating on board, and you should arrive in London on the fifth day from leaving Port Said.

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Vade Mecum for the Homeward Bound.

SICILY.

The direct route to Sicily is by the Florio-Rubattino Co.'s steamers, which leave Alexandria weekly for MESSINA, where one takes train to TAORMINA, one of the most charming and popular places on the island. Giardini is the station at which to alight, and the drive to Taormina is most delightful, occupying 15 to 20 minutes. In and around the town is to be seen the finest of the ancient Greek temples, the Greek, Roman, and Saracenic remains that are found all over the island, are an endless source of pleasure. SYRACUSE has an interesting history, which was founded by Demosthenes in B.C. 413, and taken by the Romans in B.C. 212, when Archimedes was slain—his tomb is to be seen. The cathedral was once an ancient pagan temple. PALERMO, with about 300,000 inhabitants, is the capital of the island, and enjoys a delightful climate. Much of interest is to be found in this fine city. The Palazzo Reale is of Saracenic origin and close to it the church of S. Giovanni degli Ebrei with its picturesque cloister. The Cathedral, Museum, Botanic Garden, Villa Giulia and Royal Park are also worth a visit.

CENTRAL ITALY.

The fine steamers of the North German Lloyd leave Alexandria every Wednesday during the season for Naples, the voyage being only 3 days.

NAPLES is also reached in 10 hours from Palermo by the Florio-Rubattino Co.'s steamers, which leave daily. One cannot approach Naples or leave it without wishing to explore some of its islands, besides the lovely places on its bay—Castellare and Sorrento. The small steamer that takes you to Sorrento (you can drive too) will take you on to Capri.

From Naples to ROME is a train journey of but five hours. All who can will devote at least one week to visiting the many historical and interesting portions of the Eternal City, whose charms and beauties are too well known to need comment here.

Leaving the Eternal City with much regret, a railway journey of five hours brings you to FLORENCE, where whatever city can well be spent admiring the City of Flowers and its surrounding country. In Florence itself the churches and galleries are of absorbing interest whilst the local promenades and excursions are of a most delightful nature. The distance of four miles. The most delightful excursion outside Florence is that to Volterra, a town of great interest, and the distance of four miles. The most delightful excursion outside Florence is that to Volterra, a town of great interest, and the distance of four miles. The most delightful excursion outside Florence is that to Volterra, a town of great interest, and the distance of four miles.

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From Genoa to Milan is a matter of only three hours by rail.

MILAN is a great centre for Northern Italy before leaving the tour of the Lakes. The Cathedral is the principal attraction, with its beautiful windows illustrating the history of the Bible. The public gardens and the monumental cemetery are also worth a visit.

Between Bologna and Milan and only an hour's ride, lies the town of SALSOMAGGIORE, a renowned health resort, on account of its thermal springs, change trains at Borgo San Donnino and in half-an-hour you are at Salsomaggiore.

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DESIGNATION	Unité	Prix de vente
Coton	cent	3 500
Graisin de Coton	cent	0 275
Bile Sadi et Bileh	cent	0 275
Fibre Sadi et Bileh	cent	1 150
Leitulle	cent	1 050
Pois chiches	cent	0 615
Pois pes	cent	1 200
Alu	cent	1 500
Alu (avec emh)	cent	2 700
Alu en pelle	cent	0 6
Ris blanc	cent	0 7
Four No. 1 (30 okm)	cent	0 500
Four blanc (en pain)	cent	0 500
Four (en pain) No. 1	cent	0 400
Four (en pain) No. 2	cent	0 250
Four (en pain) No. 3	cent	0 250
Coton Afri et écart pour	cent	1 600
Turque	cent	1 600

Prix des sacs.

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A. coton de 3 livres P.T. 5 1/2	---
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Coton P.G.F. Br.	Tal. 18 1/2
Novembre	30 7/8
Mars	32 1/4
Mai	32 1/4
Juillet	32 13/16

Graines de coton.

Janvier	P.T. 69 20/40
Fev.-Mars	71
Avril	72 10/40
Mai	73
Juin	73 20/40

Fèves Sadi.

Janvier	110
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